

*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

Applicant: Kenji SOEJIMA et al.  
Title: *CONSTRUCT COMPRISING RECOGNITION DOMAIN OF  
ANTIBODY AGAINST VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR-  
SPECIFIC CLEAVING ENZYME*  
Appl. No.: 10/549,317  
Filing Date: 9/16/2005  
Examiner: Maher M. Haddad  
Art Unit: 1644  
Confirmation Number: 8219

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to an Office Action mailed June 7, 2007 extended to December 7, 2007 pursuant to the attached Petition for Extension of Time, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-4 and 8-13, for prosecution on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment accompany this response, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 4 December 2007

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